IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, and

THE STATES OF CALIFORNIA, COLORADO, CONNECTICUT, DELAWARE, FLORIDA, GEORGIA, HAWAII, ILLINOIS, INDIANA, IOWA, LOUISIANA, MARYLAND, MASSACHUSETTS, MICHIGAN, MINNESOTA, MONTANA, NEVADA, NEW HAMPSHIRE, NEW JERSEY, NEW MEXICO, NEW YORK, NORTH CAROLINA, OKLAHOMA, RHODE ISLAND, TENNESSEE, TEXAS, VERMONT, VIRGINIA, AND WASHINGTON; THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA; THE COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY; AND THE CITIES OF CHICAGO, NEW YORK, AND PHILADELPHIA,

ex rel. JOEL STEVENS

Plaintiffs,

v.

ATRICURE INC., ST. HELENA HOSPITAL, AND ADVENTIST HEALTH;

Defendants.

CASE NO. 3:17-cv-10

ATRICURE'S MOTION TO TRANSFER

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1404(a) and Local Rule 7.1, Defendant AtriCure, Inc. ("AtriCure") respectfully moves to transfer this action to the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Ohio, where documents, witnesses, and AtriCure's headquarters are located. This motion is made with the consent and support of co-Defendants Adventist Health and St. Helena. The Memorandum in Support of this Motion is filed contemporaneously herewith.

As required by Local Rule 7.1(b), AtriCure certifies that it has conferred with counsel for

Relator Joel Stevens and Defendants Adventist Health and St. Helena Hospital before filing this Motion. Counsel for Relator represents that he opposes this Motion.

Respectfully submitted this 3rd day of September, 2021.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that a copy of the foregoing ATRICURE'S MOTION

TO TRANSFER was electronically filed with the Clerk of the Court using the CM/ECF system and served upon counsel of record through the Court's electronic case filing system.

This 3rd day of September, 2021.

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